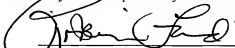


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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Application Number : 10/587,194 Confirmation No. 8444  
Filing Date : July 24, 2006  
Inventor(s) : Jean-Louis Stehle  
Title : PROTECTED PATTERN MASK FOR REFLECTION  
LITHOGRAPHY IN THE EXTREME UV OR SOFT X-RAY  
RANGE  
  
Group Art Unit : 1795  
Examiner Name : Jonathan G. Jelsma  
Docket No. : 58059/N75 Date: February 3, 2010

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**MAIL TO: Mail Stop RCE**

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

This application is **not** an application of the kind specified in 37 CFR § 1.114(e).

**1. THE STATUS OF THE APPLICATION IS AS FOLLOWS:**

- a.   X   Pending (no review proceedings active)
- (1)   X   An Action was mailed by the Office on August 3, 2009, as to which no appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed and
- X   a response under 37 CFR § 1.116 was filed on February 3, 2010  
\_\_\_\_\_ via Express Mail  
\_\_\_\_\_   X   with certificate of electronic transmission under 37 CFR § 1.8
- X   that Action was a Final Rejection, the finality of which is to be withdrawn by this Request
- \_\_\_\_\_ an appeal or civil action under 35 U.S.C. 141, 145 or 146 has been terminated
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Allowed: the Notice of Allowance was mailed by the Office on
- \_\_\_\_\_ the Issue Fee has not been paid
- \_\_\_\_\_ the Issue Fee has been paid **and** a petition under 37 CFR § 1.313 was granted on

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- b. ☐ Pending (with review proceeding active)  
An appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed. **Applicant(s) hereby withdraw that appeal and request reopening of the prosecution of the application.**
2. SUBMISSION(S) REQUIRED (check at least one)
- a. Previously submitted
- ☒ Consider the amendments/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on February 3, 2010
- ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Enclosed
- ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ Documents under 37 CFR § 1.48
- ☐ Petition for Extension of Time
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned promptly following receipt and initial review of the application in light of the Submissions(s) for the conduct of, or the scheduling of, a telephone interview in the application.

Please direct all correspondence to **CUSTOMER NUMBER 23363**. Direct telephone calls to 626/795-9900, **CHRISTIE, PARKER & HALE, LLP, P.O. Box 7068, Pasadena, CA 91109-7068**.

Respectfully submitted,

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
FEE CALCULATION SHEET**

**Application No. 10/587,194**

**PART I — BASIC FEE**

BASIC FEE	Small Entity \$405.00	Large Entity \$810.00	\$810.00
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**PART II — ADDITIONAL CLAIMS (compared to application before RCE)**

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims	17+1(18)	*20	0	x \$26.00	x \$52.00	0
Independent Claims	3	**3	0	x \$110.00	x \$220.00	0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim				\$195.00	\$390.00	0
TOTAL CLAIMS FEE						\$0
List Independent Claims: 1, 15, 17						
* IF THE "HIGHEST NUMBER OF TOTAL CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR" IS LESS THAN 20, WRITE "20" IN THIS SPACE. ** IF THE HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 3 OR LESS, WRITE "3" IN THIS SPACE.						

1. FEES *(The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)*

- a. Amount (total from Fee Calculation Sheet)

Please deduct \$810.00 from Deposit Account No. 03-1728.

- b.   X   The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required for this transaction to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.